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1. PER REF B, DEPT ACCEPTED POST'S NOMINATION SULAYEMAN CEESAY FOR TQ IV. HE PLANS ARRIVE NEW YORK/JFK AT 0600, SEPT 14, ON PA185, THEN TAKES BN 007 ARRIVING WASHINGTON/ DULLES AT 0930. PLS CABLE FISCAL DATA PRIORITY SO THAT WE CAN PROCESS DSP66, TRAVEL ADVANCE, AND AIR TICKET.
2. PER REF C, PARVIN FELLOW SHERIFF CISAY HAS AGAIN ALTERED PLANS AND NOW HOPES ARRIVE NY SEPT 7 VICE SEPT 9. WE WILL CABLE EXACT TRAVEL DETAILS. HE HAS CORRESPONDED WITH PRINCETON AND REQUESTED LIMOSINE FOR SURFACE TRAVEL NY-PRINCETON. SUGGEST HE BE ASSISTED AT JFK BY DOS RECEPTION CENTER OFFICER IF PRINCETON NOT PLANNING TO MEET.
3. PER REF D, CHARGE HAS JUST RECEIVED DOLS 25 CHECK FROM OCA FOR DONDELE TRAVEL ADVANCE. SECOND GAMBIAN OCA CANDIDATE, JAMMEH IS SCHEDULED FOR FALL OCA PROLINK. PLS CABLE TRAVEL DATES AND FISCAL DATA SOONEST, SO HE CAN MAKE PLANS.
4. PER REF E, EMBASSY NOMINATED MRS ALMEIDA FOR CU/AAUW
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WOMEN EDUCATORS PROJECT. PLS ADVISE STATUS THIS NOMINATION.

5. WE HAVE ASSUMED, PER REF A, THAT BANJUL COULD NOMINATE ONE MORE IV FOR TRANSITION QUARTER. CANDIDATE WE PROPOSE IS M.L. AUBER, SECOND RANKING CIVIL SERVANT IN POWERFUL MINISTRY OF FINANCE, COMMERCE, AND INDUSTRY. RECOGNIZING THAT TIMING IS SHORT, EMBASSY NONETHELESS HOPES CU/AF COULD ARRANGE THREE WEEK IV PROGRAM FOR AUBER BEGINNING MID-AUGUST, WHEN THIS KEY OFFICIAL WILL BE ON SHORT LEAVE. FULL NOMINATION, PROGRAMMING SUGGESTIONS, AND JUSTIFICATION WILL BE CABLED ASAP. EMBASSY WOULD DEEPLY APPRECIATE CU/AF'S EXTRA EFFORTS ON THIS NOMINATION.

6. AS CU/AF AWARE, BANJUL IS ESSENTIALLY ONE MAN POST ON SUBSTANTIVE SIDE, WHICH INCLUDES CULTURAL AFFAIRS. CHARGE WILL BE TAKING THREE WEEK R AND R IN SEPTEMBER, AND THEREFORE HOPES TO WRAP UP ALL DETAILS OF TRANSITION QUARTER CULTURAL PROGRAM BY SEPTEMBER 1.
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